



All Together Sunday Worship

16th August 2020

Finding wholeness with Jesus

Let's gather before God to praise him

Give thank to the Lord for he is good

His steadfast love endures forever.

O Lord, open our lips

and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Send your Holy Spirit upon us,

and clothe us with power from on high.

The Collect for the 10th Sunday after Trinity

Let your merciful ears, Lord God,

be open to the prayers of your people

and, so that we may obtain our petitions,

teach us to ask for those things that please you,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Psalms 42:10-11

My enemies reproach me,

While they say to me all day long,

“Where is your God?”

Why are you cast down, O my soul?

And why are you disquieted within me?

Hope in God;

For I shall yet praise Him,

The help of my countenance and my God.

Bible Reading - Mark's Gospel Chapter 5 (NIV)

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¹ They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes.² When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him. ³ This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain. ⁴ For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. ⁵ Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones.



⁶ When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. ⁷ He shouted at the top of his voice, 'What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In God's name don't torture me!' ⁸ For Jesus had said to him, 'Come out of this man, you impure spirit!'

⁹ Then Jesus asked him, 'What is your name?'

'My name is Legion,' he replied, 'for we are many.' ¹⁰ And he begged Jesus again and again not to send them out of the area.

¹¹ A large herd of pigs was feeding on the nearby hillside. ¹² The demons begged Jesus, 'Send us among the pigs; allow us to go into them.' ¹³ He gave them permission, and the



impure spirits came out and went into the pigs. The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.



¹⁴ Those tending the pigs ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. ¹⁵ When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. ¹⁶ Those who had seen it told the people what had happened to the demon-possessed man – and told about the pigs as well. ¹⁷ Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region.

¹⁸ As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with him. ¹⁹ Jesus did not let him, but said, 'Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.' ²⁰ So the man went away and began to tell in the Decapolis^[b] how much Jesus had done for him. And all the people were amazed.

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Reflection time

What do you notice about the man who came out of the caves?

Why doesn't the world talk about demons?

How should we respond to an unsettled mind?

How can we avoid reacting like the crowd?

What can we learn from the man whose mind was restored?

Time to focus on our belief. The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Time for saying sorry to God

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much
the devices and desires of our own hearts.**

**We have broken your holy laws,
We have left undone what we ought to have done,
and we have done what we ought not to have done.
O Lord, have mercy on us pitiful sinners.
Spare those, O God, who confess their faults.
Restore those who truly repent,
as you have promised through Jesus Christ our Lord.
And grant, O merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may live a godly, righteous and disciplined life,
to the praise of your holy name. Amen.**

Time for prayer

Being made one by the power of the Spirit, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

Our Father in heaven	Lead us not into
Hallowed be your name	temptation
Your kingdom come	But deliver us from evil
Your will be done	For the Kingdom,
On earth as is in heaven	the power
Give us today our daily bread	And the glory are yours
Forgive us our sins	Now and forever. Amen.
As we forgive those who sin against us	

Blessing and Dismissal

Jesus, restore us in our rightful minds through faith in you. **Amen.**

Send us out in the power of your Spirit.

To live for your glory. Amen

Notices

Do join us in the church yard after the service in socially distanced groups of six to chat and catch up.

Catch up with services and prayer from Holy Trinity on our **YouTube channel** - search for 'Holy Trinity West Brom' or find it linked from our Facebook page and website. Ask if you would like a DVD.

City Bible Church in Beirut is near the blast site. It's buildings have been destroyed. The church was started in 2018 and needs help to offer relief and rebuild. You can help by giving to the relief fund, either by making a donation through Holy Trinity or online at <https://www.acts29.com/beirut-donation-page>

Donations to Holy Trinity can be made after the service in one of the bowls provided on the tables with the sanitiser or online at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/holytrinity-westbromich>

Other activities this week:

Zoom Small Group Bible Study and Fellowships. On Zoom (internet meeting) Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30pm. Ask Neil.

Kids Klub online. Ask Helen to deliver an activity and bible pack, then watch on the church website. (Ask Helen for a password).

Pray, Hear, Scatter. Please take a service sheet, activity pack, "Hope Beyond Coronavirus" tract or Gospel and seek ways to give to friends, family or neighbours.